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UNITED NATIONS RESEARCH INSTITUTE FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

Nomination of members of the Board of the Institute

Note by the Secretary-General

1. The functions of the Board of the United Nations Research Institute for Social Development, which are set out in paragraph 3 of document ST/SGB/126 of 1 August 1963 and addenda, are:

(a) To lay down general rules governing the action of the Institute in matters entrusted to it;

(b) To review and approve work programmes and the relevant budgets of the Institute;

(c) To submit regularly to the Commission for Social Development a progress report on the work of the Institute.

2. The present composition of the Board is:

(a) A Chairman, appointed by the Secretary-General;

(b) Ten members nominated by the Commission for Social Development and confirmed by the Economic and Social Council;

(c) A representative of the Secretary-General;

(d) A representative of the United Nations Office at Vienna/Centre for Social Development and Humanitarian Affairs;

(e) The Director of the Latin American Institute for Economic and Social Planning, Santiago, Chile;

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(f) The Director of the Asian and Pacific Development Institute, Bangkok;

(g) The Director of the African Institute for Economic Development and Planning, Dakar;

(h) The Executive Secretary of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia;

(i) Representatives of two of the following specialized agencies, appointed in rotation: the International Labour Organisation; the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations; the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization; and the World Health Organization;

(j) The Director of the United Nations Research Institute for Social Development, ex officio.

3. The 10 members of the Board referred to in subparagraph 2 (b) above are nominated by the Commission for Social Development and confirmed by the Economic and Social Council. The term of office of each nominated member is four years, renewable once for a further period of two years.*

4. Keith Griffin (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland), Professor of Political Economy, University of California, United States of America, has been Chairman of the Board since October 1988. The present nominated members of the Board are:

Ismail-Sabri Abdalla (Egypt), Chairman, Third World Forum, Cairo

Lars Anell (Sweden), Ambassador, Permanent Mission of Sweden, Geneva

Sartaj Aziz (Pakistan), Minister of Finance, Islamabad

Vida Cok (Yugoslavia), Professor, Institute of Comparative Law, Belgrade

Ingrid Eide (Norway), Special Adviser, Ministry of Church and Cultural Affairs, Oslo

Louis Emmerij (Netherlands), President, OECD Development Centre, Paris

Tatyana Koryagina (Union of Soviet Socialist Republics), Head, Department of Social Problems and Prognosis, State Planning Commission, Moscow

Lucio Kowarick (Brazil), Director, Centro de Estudos de Cultura Contemproanea, Sao Paulo

Maureen O'Neil (Canada), Director, North-South Institute, Ottawa

Akilagpa Sawyerr (Ghana), Vice-Chancellor, University of Ghana, Accra

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*In its resolution 10 (XXV), the Commission for Social Development decided that the term of office of each nominated member of the Board should not exceed a total of six years.

5. The term of office of the following five members will expire on 30 June 1991:

Ismail-Sabri Abdalla (Egypt), Sartaj Aziz (Pakistan), Vida Cok (Yugoslavia), Louis Emmerij (Netherlands), Lucio Kowarick (Brazil).

6. Thus, at its thirty-second session, the Commission will have five vacancies on the Board to fill, each for a four-year term of office beginning on 1 July 1991.